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This decision calendar contains a listing of significant regulations and other actions being developed in the Department of Agriculture under the procedures described in the report "Improving USDA Regulations," 43 FR 50988 (Nov. 1, 1978). The listing contains both actions underway and to be initiated during the next 6 months. Actions are listed under the name of the responsible USDA agency.

This decision calendar is being published to provide an overview of pending major actions and estimated dates when further steps in their development should occur. It is intended as an aid to the public in its participation in the USDA decisionmaking process at the appropriate stages. We have attempted to list all significant actions pending at the time of the calendar but some may have been inadvertently missed. There is no legal significance to an item not appearing on this listing.

The dates shown for the various stages of each action are estimated and are not commitments to act on or by the date shown. The "prenotice" date, when given, is an indication the agency intends to seek public input prior to the "notice of proposed rulemaking." Anyone desiring further information on an action should write or call the agency contact listed for the action. Unless a different address is given, inquires should be addressed to: (Name of Agency Contact) (Agency Name), U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

Additional information on USDA regulation and decisionmaking procedures may be obtained from; Linley E. Juers, Coordinator of Policy Analysis and Public Participation, Office of Budget, Planning and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250, phone 202-447-6667.

This decision calendar will be updated in 6 months in accordance with the President's Executive Order 12044, FEDERAL REGISTER, March 24, pages 12661-12665.

CAROL TUCKER FOREMAN
*Acting Secretary.*

NOVEMBER 9, 1978.

[3410-90-C]

AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** AM 1081

2. **Title:** Beef Pricing Investigation

3. **Description:** Study of marketing, pricing of beef carcasses, and reporting services.

4. **Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 192 Investigation request by Secretary

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** James Tuggle, Ext. (202) 447-5877

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 1085

2. **Title:** Implementation of the Wheat and Wheat Foods Research and Nutrition Education Act.

3. **Description:** (Formal Rulemaking) A series of steps coordinated by the Dept. will be required to develop an appropriate Wheat and Wheat Foods Research and Nutrition Education order. A referendum of end product manufacturers (primarily wholesale bakers) would determine if the order is approved.

4. **Authority:** Wheat and Wheat Foods Research and Nutrition Education Act (Public Law 95-113, Section 1701-1719) Statutory

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 10/78
   b. **Public hearing:** 3/79
   c. **Recommend Decision:** 7/79
   d. **Final Decision:** 10/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Ralph Tapp, Ext. (202) 447-3970

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 1086

2. **Title:** Implementation of the amended Beef Research and Information (BRI) Act

3. **Description:** (Formal Rulemaking) A series of steps coordinated by the Dept. will be required to develop an appropriate BRI order. A referendum would determine if beef producers wish to assess themselves for the purpose of carrying out a BRI program.

4. **Authority:** Beef Research and Information Act (P.L. 94-294, May 29, 1976) as amended by the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-334, August 4, 1978)

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 4/79
   b. **Date of Hearing:** 8/79
   c. **Recommend Decision:** 12/79
   d. **Final Decision:** 3/80

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Ralph Tapp, Ext. (202) 447-3970

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 1087

2. **Title:** Amendments to regulations under the Federal Seed Act

3. **Description:** Update and clarify provisions such as definition of variety rules for assigning variety names, add new kinds, add new rules for testing, amend standards for certified seed, and amend rules for sampling unusual containers. Last major revision of regulations was in 1973.

4. **Authority:** Federal Seed Act

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Clyde Edwards, Ext. (202) 447-9340

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 1089

2. **Title:** Proposed revisions of U.S. Grade Standards for Feeder Cattle.

3. **Description:** The present standards are outdated due to changes in the cattle population and changes in beef standards in 1976.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** W. Edmund Tyler, Ext. (202) 447-5679

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10812

2. **Title:** Proposed South Texas Melon Marketing Order

3. **Description:** Receive evidence from all interested persons regarding a proposed marketing agreement and order for melons grown in South Texas to include authority for minimum quality and container requirements.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Notice of Hearing:** 10/27/78
   b. **Recommend Decision:** 2/28/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/20/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Charles Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10814

2. **Title:** Proposed New England Apple Marketing Agreement and Order

3. **Description:** Obtain evidence on requested program regarding research, promotion and minimum maturity provisions covering apples grown in Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Notice of hearing:** 11/78
   b. **Public heating:** 12/78
   c. **Recommend Decision:** 3/79
   d. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** C. R. Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10819

2. **Title:** Administrative Rule for cranberries

3. **Description:** Establish a procedure governing the allocation of reserve base quantity to cranberry producers.

4. **Authority:** Order 929 - Cranberries - Section 929.48 requires that rules be established to issue reserve base quantity.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Recommend Decision:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** C. R. Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10821

2. **Title:** Quadrennial Referendum for California nectarines

3. **Description:** Section 916.64(e) requires the Secretary to conduct a quadrennial referendum to ascertain whether growers favor continuance of Order. The referendum will be conducted Dec. 1, 1978, through Feb. 15, 1979.

4. **Authority:** M. O. 916 - Nectarines Grown in California.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Referendum Date:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** C. R. Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10822

2. **Title:** Quadrennial Referendum for California peaches, pears and plums

3. **Description:** Section 917.61(e) requires the Secretary to conduct a quadrennial referendum to ascertain whether growers favor continuance of Order. Such referendum will be conducted Dec. 1, 1978, through Feb. 15, 1979.

4. **Authority:** M. O. 917 - Peaches, Pears, Plums Grown in California.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Referendum Date:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** C. R. Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10839

2. **Title:** Amend California Raisin Marketing Order No. 989

3. **Description:** Clarify intent and language of existing volume regulation provisions used to tailor supplies to needs. Also, classify oleate seedless raisins separate from water-dipped and soda-dipped raisins to maintain equity among sun-dried and water-dipped segments of the industry. Changes intended to improve order regulatory operations.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Charles Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10841

2. **Title:** Amendment of Greater Kansas City and Nebraska-Western Iowa Milk Orders

3. **Description:** Increase the funding rate for the advertising and promotion programs.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Invite proposals:** 7/13/78
   b. **Public Hearing:** 10/23/78
   c. **Recommend Decision:** 11/28/78
   d. **Final Decision:** 1/9/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Maurice Martin, Ext. (202) 447-7183

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10842

2. **Title:** Amendment of New York-New Jersey Milk Order

3. **Description:** Change the procedure for classifying milk that is lost (shrinkage) during the handling and processing operations.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Invite proposals:** 1975
   b. **Public Hearing:** 2/76
   c. **Recomend Decision:** 10/5/78
   d. **Final Decision:** 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Richard Glandt, Ext. (202) 447-4829

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10843

2. **Title:** Amendment of Greater Kansas City Milk Order

3. **Description:** Key proposals would change the pooling standards for supply plants.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Invite proposals:** 7/13/78
   b. **Public hearing:** 10/30-31/78
   c. **Recommend Decision:** 2/20/79
   d. **Final Decision:** 4/16/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Maurice Martin, Ext. (202) 447-7183

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext., (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10844

2. **Title:** Amendment of Nebraska-Western Iowa Milk Order

3. **Description:** Key proposals would change the pooling standards for supply plants and increase the limit on the amount of milk that may be diverted from pool plants to nonpool plants for manufacturing. Another proposal would establish a late-payment charge on all over-due obligations of handlers that are payable to the market adminstrator. Other proposals would either reduce or increase the Class I price at certain locations by various amounts.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Invite proposals:** 7/13/78
   b. **Public hearing:** 10/24-27/78
   c. **Recomend Decision:** 3/30/79
   d. **Final Decision:** 6/20/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Maurice Martin, Ext. (202) 447-7183

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10845

2. **Title:** Amendment of Texas Milk Order

3. **Description:** Key proposals would change the producer-handler definition and the classification of milk that is lost in the plant (shrinkage), disposed of as animal feed, or dumped.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   - a. **Invite proposals:** 4/26/78
   - b. **Public hearing:** 6/13-14/78
   - c. **Recomend Decision:** 10/11/78
   - d. **Final Decision:** 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Robert Groene, Ext. (202) 447-4824

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10846

2. **Title:** Amendment of Middle Atlantic Milk Order

3. **Description:** Key proposals would change the pooling standards for distributing plants and would increase the limit on the amount of milk that may be diverted from pool plants to nonpool plants for manufacturing. Another proposal would require handlers to pay not less than the order's class prices for milk received from a cooperative association plant that is pooled under another Federal order.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   - a. **Invite proposals:**
   - b. **Public hearing:** 10/3-4/78
   - c. **Recomend Decision:** 12/15/78
   - d. **Final Decision:** 2/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Clayton Plumb, Ext. (202) 447-6273

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10847

2. **Title:** Amendment of St. Louis-Ozarks Milk Order

3. **Description:** Key proposals would change the pooling standards for distributing plants and supply plants and would increase the funding rate for the advertising and promotion program.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   - a. **Invite proposals:** 3/13/78
   - b. **Public hearing:** 6/21-22/78
   - c. **Recomend Decision:** 11/3/78
   - d. **Final Decision:** 1/3/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Robert Groene, Ext. (202) 447-4824

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10848

2. **Title:** Amendment of Tennessee Valley Milk Order

3. **Description:** The key proposal would change the pooling standards for supply plants.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Invite proposals:** 7/17/78
   b. **Public hearing:** 9/13/78
   c. **Recomend Decision:** 12/5/78
   d. **Final Decision:** 1/23/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Richard Glandt, Ext. (202) 447-4829

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10849

2. **Title:** New Federal Milk Order for Boise, Idaho, Area

3. **Description:** Establish a new Federal milk order covering 18 southwestern Idaho and 5 eastern Oregon counties. The principal cities in the proposed marketing area are Boise, Nampa, and Twin Falls, Idaho. The provisions of the order would be patterned after those commonly used in most other Federal orders.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Invite proposals:** 9/15/78
   b. **Public hearing:** 12/5/78
   c. **Recommend Decision:** 6/26/79
   d. **Final Decision:** 9/7/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Maurice Martin, Ext. (202) 447-7183

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10850

2. **Title:** Amendment of 10 Southwestern Milk Orders (Texas, et al.)

3. **Description:** The key proposal would increase the funding rate for the advertising and promotion programs.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Invite proposals:** 2/10/78
   b. **Public hearing:** 11/8/78
   c. **Recomend Decision:** 1/5/798
   d. **Final Decision:** 2/28/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Robert Groene, Ext. (202) 447-4824

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10851

2. **Title:** Amendment of Inland Empire Milk Order

3. **Description:** Increase the limit on the amount of producer milk that may be diverted from pool distributing plants to nonpool plants for manufacturing.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Invite proposals:**
   b. **Public hearing:** 7/27/78
   c. **Recomend Decision:** 11/28/78
   d. **Final Decision:** 1/17/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Maurice Martin, Ext. (202) 447-7183

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10852

2. **Title:** Amendment of Iowa Milk Order

3. **Description:** Key proposals would change the pooling standards for distributing plants and supply plants, revise the basis for determining which dairy farmers may have their milk pooled under the order, and decrease the Class I price at certain locations in the market.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural marketing Agreement Act of 1937.

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Invite proposals:** 7/31/78
   b. **Public hearing:** 9/20-21/78
   c. **Recommend Decision:** 12/22/78
   d. **Final Decision:** 2/14/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Martin Dunn, Ext. (202) 447-7311

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10853

2. **Title:** Marketing Policy Statement California-Arizona Grapefruit

3. **Description:** Set annual marketing policy for grapefruit in California and Arizona

4. **Authority:** Marketing Order 70 CFR - Part 909

5. **Projected Schedule**
   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/78

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** C. R. Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

**Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10854

2. **Title:** Marketing Policy Statement California-Arizona Valenicia Oranges

3. **Description:** Set annual marketing policy for Valenicia oranges in California and Arizona

4. **Authority:** Marketing Order 7 CFR - Part 908

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** C. R. Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10855

2. **Title:** Marketing Policy Statement - Hops of Domestic Production

3. **Description:** Set annual marketing policy for Hops of domestic production

4. **Authority:** Marketing Order 7 CFR - Part 991

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** C. R. Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AM 10856

2. **Title:** Marketing Policy Statement - Cranberries

3. **Description:** Set annual marketing policy for cranberries

4. **Authority:** Marketing Order 7 CFR - Part 929

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** C. R. Brader, Ext. (202) 447-6393

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext, (202) 447-6667

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** AP 1081

2. **Title:** Revise Gypsy Moth and Brown-Tail Moth Quarantine and Regulations

3. **Description:** To redirect Gypsy Moth and Brown-Tail Moth programs by adopting a pest management concept based on pest risk.

4. **Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 161, 162, 150ee To reflect change in regulatory program.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** H. V. Autry, Ext. (301) 346-8247

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 1089

2. **Title:** Revised Bird Quarantine Regulation

3. **Description:** Would add "smuggled birds" to definitions, and would provide for release when determined to be free of disease

4. **Authority:** 19 U.S. C. 1306; 21 U.S.C. 102-105, 111, 134a-c Provide method for quarantining "smuggled" birds

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. George Pierson Import/Export Staff Ext. (301) 346-8170

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 10810

2. **Title:** Revision of Export Livestock Handling Requirements

3. **Description:** Amendments will delete specific maximum length requirements for container pens for animals on ocean vessels and will relax restrictions on the type of roof which may be used to cover pens carrying animals on exposed decks aboard ocean vessels.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 105, 112, 113, 114a, 120, 121, 134b, 134f, 612-614, 618; 46 U.S.C., 466a, 466b Research studies performed have shown that certain modifications in shipping practices will not result in relaxed humane handling standards or disease control measures.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. Harold Waters, Ext. (301) 346-8383

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 10815

2. **Title:** Revised Bird Quarantine Regulation

3. **Description:** Would provide for approval of additional quarantine facilities for importation of birds if adequate manpower is available to service the facility.

4. **Authority:** 19 U.S.C. 1306; 21 U.S.C. 102-105, 111, 134a, 134b, 134c, and 134f To secure authority to allocate agency personnel resources for servicing privately owned and operated bird quarantine facilities.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** Undetermined
   c. **Final Decision:** Undetermined

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. George Pierson, Import/Export Staff, Ext. (301) 346-8170

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 10819

2. **Title:** Revision of Animal Exportation Regulations

3. **Description:** Adds Los Angeles, California, to and deletes port of San Francisco, California, from list of airports and ocean ports for export of animals.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 105, 112, 113, 114a, 120, 121, 134b, 134f, 612-614, 618; 46 U.S.C. 466a, 466b Animal Export Inspection Facility at San Francisco no longer meets requirements for such facilities. Los Angeles facility does meet those requirements.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. Harold Waters, Ext. (301) 346-8383

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 11826

2. **Title:** Pseudorabies Regulation

3. **Description:** This regulation will regulate the interstate movement of swine on the basis of their pseudorabies status.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 111-113, 115, 117, 120, 121, 123-126, 134b, 134f To control and stop the escalating spread of pseudorabies.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** 5/23/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. J. A. Downard, Ext. (301) 346-8487

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 11827

2. **Title:** Revised Animal Welfare Transportation Standards

3. **Description:** Proposal will reduce both the minimum and the maximum allowable temperature for certain animals when transported in commerce and provide a new procedure for measuring such temperature.

4. **Authority:** Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2131 et. seq. Proposed revisions are the result of various petitions for reconsideration received by the Department which made new facts and evidence available that appear to warrant such action.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** 10/17/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. R. D. Whiting, Ext. (301) 346-8271

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 11828

2. **Title:** Horse Protection Regulations - Part I (Designated Qualified Persons)

3. **Description:** Document would permit the certification and licensing of "designated qualified persons" (DQP) to assist the Department in the enforcement of the Horse Protection Act.

4. **Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 1821 et. seq. To incorporate provisions of the 1976 Amendments to the Horse Protection Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** Done
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. Dale F. Schwindaman, Ext. (301) 346-8271

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 11829

2. **Title:** Horse Protection Regulations - Part II

3. **Description:** Proposal would (1) add certain restrictions concerning the sale of horses at sales or auctions; (2) require procedures be established for detention and inspection of horses; (3) space and facilities for inspection be supplied by management of shows, sales, etc; and (4) revise certain definitions and record-keeping requirements.

4. **Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 1821 et. seq. To incorporate provisions of the 1976 Amendments to the Horse Protection Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** Done
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/2/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. Dale F. Schwindaman, Ext. (301) 346-8271

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION AND CONSERVATION SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** AP 11830

2. **Title:** Marine Mammal Regulations

3. **Description:** Regulation amends standards for humane handling, care, treatment and transportation to include marine mammals.

4. **Authority:** Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. 2131, et. seq.) Recommendations made to the Secretary of Agriculture that marine mammals be no longer exempted by regulations from the provisions of the Animal Welfare Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** 9/19/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/16/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dr. D. F. Schwindaman, Ext. (301) 346-8271

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** AP 11831

2. **Title:** Schedule of Fees at the Harry S. Truman Animal Import Center (HSTAIC)

3. **Description:** Interim rulemaking amends the current regulations by adding a proposed schedule of costs and establishes the methods and due date of payment by importers using the facilities of HSTAIC.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 111 and 135. To advise prospective importers of the proposed schedule of fees at HSTAIC.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** None
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** AS 1083

2. **Title:** 1979-Crop Upland Cotton

3. **Description:** Announce the target price, national program acreage, voluntary reduction percentage, set-aside requirement, diversion requirement and limitation on planted acreage.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Act of 1949 as amended by the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 and the Act of May 15, 1978.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 9/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** by 12/15/78

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AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION & CONSERVATION SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** AS 1085

2. **Title:** 1979-Crop Rice

3. **Description:** Announce the national acreage allotment, set-aside requirements, land diversion program, preliminary target price and loan and purchase rate for 1979-crop rice.

4. **Authority:** The Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended by the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977, and the Emergency Farm Credit Act of 1978.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/9/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** AS 1086

2. **Title:** 1980-Crop Wheat

3. **Description:** Proposed rulemaking for national program acreage, set-aside and diversion levels, voluntary reduction, target and loan levels, special grazing and hay program and acreage limitations for the 1980-crop of wheat.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended by the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 Section 1001 of the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977, and the Act of May 15, 1978.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 5/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** by 8/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** AS 10813

2. **Title:** 1979 - Crop Soybeans

3. **Description:** Announce the loan and purchase program for 1979-crop soybeans.

4. **Authority:** Agriculture Act of 1949 as amended by the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/26/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** AS 10819

2. **Title:** CRF - 1475 - Emergency Feed Program

3. **Description:** Amend regulations to: (1) Require forage from set-aside acres be utilized before program assistance is provided; (2) Limit assistance covering pasture loss to 50% of the pasture loss; (3) To provide that grain under loan is considered sold on the date the loan is disbursed.

4. **Authority:** Public Law 95-113 (9) Stat. 955

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Robert Cook, Ext. (202) 447-7997

   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

1. **Calendar No:** AS 10821

2. **Title:** Procurement of Processed Agricultural Commodities for P.L. 480 Title II Donation

3. **Description:** Modify procurement procedure with additional criteria which could override lowest landed cost as currently determined in bid analyses to include: timely delivery of commodity; availability of rail cars; delivery outturn and performance record; U.S. port congestion; and U.S. port facilities and conditions.

4. **Reason for Action:** Make procurement process more responsive to timely delivery at foreign port of destination and to reduce loss/damage of commodities.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/3/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/30/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Robert Stansberry, Ext. (202) 447-7561

   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

1. **Calendar No:** AS 10824

2. **Title:** 1979 Crop Peanuts - National acreage allotment and national poundage quota

3. **Description:** Establishes for 1979 crop peanuts a national acreage allotment which determines maximum planted acres, and a national poundage quota, which determines the quantity of peanuts eligible for loans at the domestic edible support level.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, including amendments contained in Food and Agriculture Act of 1977.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 9/29/78
   c. **Final Decision:** by 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

1. **Calendar No:** AS 10825

2. **Title:** 1979 Crop Peanuts - National average price support levels and general program provisions.

3. **Description:** Establishes a 1979 national average support level for quota peanuts at not less than $420 a ton; a national average support level for additional peanuts; and CCC sales policy for sales of additional peanuts for edible export use.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended, including amendments contained in the Food and Agriculture Act of 1977.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/30/78
   c. **Final Decision:** by 2/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** AS 10827

2. **Title:** ACP Reform

3. **Description:** Develop criteria, guidelines and procedures to restrict assistance to measures and practices having conservation and pollution abatement benefits and that are not primarily production oriented.

4. **Authority:** FY 79 appropriations act provisions and Presidential directive.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 10/13/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/14/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/26/79

6. **Contacts:**

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OFFICE OF ENERGY

1. **Calendar No:** EN 1081

2. **Title:** Rule to Certify Essential Agricultural Uses for Sec. 401, NGPA of 1978.

3. **Description:** Development of a set of essential agricultural uses and the amounts of natural gas required. Certify to Secretary of Energy and FERC for implementation within 120 days of enactment.

4. **Authority:** Statute requires Secretary of Agriculture to certify essential agricultural uses for noncurtailment of natural gas to Secretary of Energy and FERC.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/18/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:**

   **Secretary's Office:** Weldon Barton, Ext. (202) 447-2455

OFFICE OF ENERGY

1. **Calendar No:** EN 1082

2. **Title:** Industrial Hydrocarbons and Alcohols, Pilot Projects.

3. **Description:** Decisions regarding selection of pilot projects.

4. **Authority:** Section 1420 of Food and Agriculture Act of 1977 mandates Secretary of Agriculture, through CCC, to guarantee loans of up to $15 million for each of 4 pilot projects -- provided that economic and energy criteria are met.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:**

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ECONOMICS, STATISTICS & COOPERATIVE SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** ES 1081

2. **Title:** BLS Data Series

3. **Description:** The decision involves our adjustment to the new data series and evaluating its impact on our work in margins and cost components. Includes other possible sources of retail price data.

4. **Authority:** Bureau of Labor Statistics has dropped certain individual retail commodity price series and replace them by composites series.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** Fall 1978
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Bob Bohall, Ext. (202) 447-8229

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** ES 1082

2. **Title:** Cost of Production -- Methods, Procedures and Format

3. **Description:** Major crop and livestock cost of production estimates, their form, content, procedures and methods, dates of release, etc.

4. **Authority:** Need to establish a more satisfactory set of procedures and format for analyzing and publishing cost of production estimates.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** Underway
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

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ECONOMICS, STATISTICS & COOPERATIVE SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** ES 1084

2. **Title:** Outside Participation in Cost of Production Studies

3. **Description:** Plans to have a Cost of Production Advisory Committee were thwarted. We are not getting informal input. Need to decide on a longer term solution.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 93-86 requires Cost of Production Study to be conducted in cooperation with farm organizations, land grant universities, and commodity organizations. (7 U.S.C. 1441a).

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** Underway
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** ES 1086

2. **Title:** Energy Follow-on Survey; Census of Agriculture, Funding

3. **Description:** The decision would be to fund or not to fund the survey from USDA budget allocations.

4. **Authority:** Census has indicated to ESCS & DOE their funds not sufficient to conduct the Energy Follow-on Survey. Cost expected to range from $450,000 to $2,000,000.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/3/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/24/78

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** ES 1089

2. **Title:** Futures Trading in Potatoes

3. **Description:** Determine scope of and identity of ESCS participation in a study for the U.S. Congress of potato marketing and futures trading in potatoes leading to any recommendations for legislation and/or regulation.

4. **Authority:** Mandated by the bill reauthorizing the CFTC for 4 years, P.L. 95-405, Sec. 27

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Allen Paul, Ext. (202) 447-8168

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** ES 10810

2. **Title:** Regulations on Reporting Agricultural Foreign Investments

3. **Description:** Within 90 days of effective date the Secretary must promulgate regulations relating to reporting of real estate transactions by foreign investors.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-460, The Agriculture Foreign Investment Disclosure Act, Signed October 14, 1978.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/15/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/15/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** J. Peter DeBraal, Ext. (202) 447-9179

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** ES 10814

2. **Title:** Standby Authority for Mandatory Reporting of Data

3. **Description:** Determine possible ways industry could be required to submit monthly data and what legislation to propose

4. **Authority:** GAO Report to Congress on Food Prices recommends USDA develop legislation requiring firms to report data on margins.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/79

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** ES 10824

2. **Title:** Review of Cooperative Program

3. **Description:** Determine the scope and content of an outside review of the cooperative program, including the composition of the review group.

4. **Authority:** Need for guidance in the development of a more effective cooperative program within ESCS.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/30/78

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** ES 10828

2. **Title:** USDA/Census Definition of A Farm

3. **Description:** USDA and Census in August 1975 announced adoption of a revised definition, increasing the minimum qualification to $1,000 in annual sales. Census now uses the new definition, but also shows some items under "previous definition." USDA has continued to use the old definition in "Farm Numbers" through 1977.

4. **Authority:** Need decision on definition of a farm before Crop Reporting Board issues annual "Farm Numbers" report on December 27, 1978.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/15/78

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** FA 1083

2. **Title:** Proposed Establishment of Selected Area Agricultural Trade Offices

3. **Description:** On-the-spot surveys are being made where necessary; and financial, personnel and overseas position limitations are being explored with a view to establishing six trade offices by end of September 1979.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Trade Act of 1978, Title IV

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** by 9/30/79

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

1. **Calendar No:** FA 10813

2. **Title:** Revision and updating of Dairy Import Regulation No. 1

3. **Description:** Revisions are planned on the administration of the import licensing system on certain dairy products and milk chocolate crumb quotas established under Section 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, as amended to facilitate more complete use of Section 22 dairy import quotas and improve the Department's ability to prevent abuse of the import licensing system.

4. **Authority:** Section 22 of the Agricultural Act of 1933, as amended.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/15/78

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** FA 10835

2. **Title:** Estimate annual U.S. imports of meats. Act of August 22, 1964; Public Law 88-482.

3. **Description:** The Secretary of Agriculture is required by Section 2 of the Act to make a quarterly estimate of meats, subject to the Act, which would be imported during 1979 and estimate the aggregate quantity of meat, subject to the Act, which may be imported during the year.

4. **Authority:** Public Law 88-482, The Meat Import Law.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/31/78

6. **Contacts:**

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1. **Calendar No:** FA 10838

2. **Title:** Proposed designation of Agricultural Counselors

3. **Description:** Identify those positions in the field which should be upgraded from Attache to Counselor and submit to Department of State for concurrence.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Trade Act of 1978, Title III

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/31/78

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

1. **Calendar No:** FG 1081

2. **Title:** Export Shiploading Inspection Plans

3. **Description:** Review present export shiploading inspection plans and develop an alternative. The current "Uniform Shiploading Plan" is complicated and difficult to apply. The "10 Percent Plan" allows too much off grade grain to be loaded aboard ship.

4. **Authority:** U.S. Grain Standards Act, Section 5 and 7

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/1/80

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FG 1082

2. **Title:** Weighing Handbook

3. **Description:** Develop and issue an interim instruction on the Supervision of Weighing for non-export grain. This must be done in two stages. First, an interim instruction to be available on 11/20/78. A final instruction will receive public review and comment.

4. **Authority:** U.S. Grain Standards Act, Section 7A

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/1/80

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FG 1083

2. **Title:** Dust Particle Size Standards

3. **Description:** Establish dust particle size standards as guidelines on the grain dust that should be removed from grain and the size dust particles that may be allowed to remain within the grain.

4. **Authority:** U.S. Grain Standards Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/80
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/80

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** George Lipscomb, Ext. (202) 447-4851

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FG 1084

2. **Title:** Regulations Under the United States Grain Standards Act

3. **Description:** Regulations to implement new and amended provisions of the Act which was extensively amended by Congress in Oct 1976 and Sept 1977. Subpart A for administering and enforcing the Act; Subparts C & D contain standards for inspection and weighing equipment and handling systems respectively. (Other subparts to be drafted separately)

4. **Authority:** U.S. Grain Standards Act of 1976. To implement the U.S. Grain Standards Act -- Subparts A, C, and D.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 7/31/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** J. T. Abshier, Ext. (202) 447-8262

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FG 1085

2. **Title:** Expansion of Duties of Official Inspection Agencies

3. **Description:** A proposed rulemaking requiring all official inspection agencies to provide, upon request, official protein testing services for all classes of wheat using only FGIS approved protein testing equipment effective 5/1/79. However, on 5/1/80 FGIS will specify that only NIR equipment will be approved for protein testing. Exemptions provided for agencies where little or no wheat is marketed.

4. **Authority:** U.S. Grain Standards Act, Section 7(b) and 7 (f)

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/17/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/29/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Neil Porter, Ext. (202) 447-8262

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FG 1086

2. **Title:** Proposed Amendment to the Official U.S. Standards for Grain

3. **Description:** Presently the standards for various grains require varying sizes of samples used for determining infestation. We propose to provide uniform requirements as to sample size and procedures used; and to establish a zero tolerance on live insect infestation before certificates identify involved grain as infested.

4. **Authority:** Section 4 of U.S. Grain Standards Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 7/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/30/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** James L. Driscoll, Ext. (202) 447-9329

   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FG 1087

2. **Title:** Sub-chapter J, Safety and Health Standards, Regulation Under the U.S. Grain Standards Act.

3. **Description:** Establish official safety and health standards regarding the minimum workplace conditions under which official personnel will perform official services.

4. **Authority:** Executive Order 11807, 29 CFR 1960, and the U.S. Grain Standards Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** Ted Moriak, Ext. (202) 447-6667

FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 1081

2. **Title:** Review of thermal insulation standards for masonry construction

3. **Description:** Review of technical and economic date on the effect of building mass upon energy consumption to determine the optimum level of thermal performance which should be required in FmHA financed masonry homes.

4. **Authority:** Action by House-Senate conference committee on FY 79 Agriculture Apropriations Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/30/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/11/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/11/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Daniel J. Ball, Ext. (202) 447-3394

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 1082

2. **Title:** Revision of Hillside Development Standards in FmHA Instruction 424.5

3. **Description:** Revision of requirements for site develoment in areas which have steep slopes. Standards apply to streets, grading, drainage, and other aspects of residential site development.

4. **Authority:** Requests by Appalachian Regional Commission, State agencies and FmHA field staff for more flexibility in standards.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 4/1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Daniel J. Ball, Ext. (202) 447-3394

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 1083

2. **Title:** Solar Demonstration Retrofit

3. **Description:** Select 2 FmHA inventory houses in each of six regions for retrofit utilizing Wilke Solar collector and monitor system over 2 heating seasons. Houses similar in design and orientation - one as control, other for solar. Audio-visual aids for training and demonstration are planned.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative to offset high cost of heating Sec. 502 housing through application of low-cost solar energy hardware.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/81

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Richard Slater, Ext. (202) 447-3394

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 1084

2. **Title:** Change in FmHA 430.2 Exhibit F - Rural Rental Housing "Rent Increase"

3. **Description:** Change FmHA Procedure to require that before granting rent increases to RRH owners that are receiving interest credit, the owner must request Rental Assistance when a substantial number of tenants are paying more than 25% of their income for rent.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative to enable RRH tenants who are paying more than 25% of their income for rent to receive Rental Assistance.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Thomas Maxwell, Ext. (202) 447-7207

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 1086

2. **Title:** Revision of Rural Rental Housing (RRH) Procedures (FmHA 444.5)

3. **Description:** Clarify application and preapplication requirement for RRH projects, including requirements for previous participation, evaluation of the market survey of demand and need, and to make other policy changes to shore up possible misuse of the program. Also, this action will incorporate the Rural Cooperative Housing program.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative to clarify procedure and to curb possible misuse of the program.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Patrick Fitzgerald, Ext. (202) 447-7209

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 1087

2. **Title:** Procedure to Implement Section 525 of the Housing Act of 1949

3. **Description:** Draft procedures to implement Section 525 of the Housing Act of 1949 on technical and supervisory assistance. (Out reach)

4. **Authority:** Introduce a new program.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 6/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** John Pentecost, Ext. (202) 447-7207

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10810

2. **Title:** Consideration of Limited Assistance Self Help Housing Approach

3. **Description:** Review the policy and procedure concerning the minimum hours of participation on self help projects. Ask public interest groups for comment concerning the advisibility of limiting the family's labor contribution.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Tom Gerlitz, Ext. (202) 447-7208

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10814

2. **Title:** Coordinated Use of Loan and Grant Programs to Meet Low-Income Housing Needs

3. **Description:** Deny community program assistance in prescribed circumstances, and to accelerate repayment in certain instances when communities arbitrarily prohibit or restrict low-income

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative to prevent communities and groups from using FmHA Community Program resources and subsequently, and arbitrarily denying or restricting low-income housing.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/14/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Art Collings, Ext. (202) 447-8448

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10818

2. **Title:** Review of Present Priorities for B&I Loans

3. **Description:** Review will include consideration of lines of credit, small loans, limited partnerships, interim financing and other matters

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Robert Butler, Ext. (202) 447-5243

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10822

2. **Title:** Proposed change in B&I Program to broaden eligibility for foreign-owned applicants.

3. **Description:** Completed survey of states to determine significance of impact, published proposed change to permit foreign applicants if 85% of employees are U.S. citizens, and prepared option paper for decision.

4. **Authority:** Request by applicants, S/D, Vermont and general requests.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Robert Butlep, Ext. (202) 447-5243

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10823

2. **Title:** Revise FmHA Instructions to permit certain energy producing projects to be funded under B&I Program

3. **Description:** Departmental Initiative to amend B&I regulations to permit certain energy projects to be approved.

4. **Authority:**

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Robert Butler, Ext. (202) 447-5243

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10824

2. **Title:** Memorandum of understanding with Dept. of Transportation

3. **Description:** FRA has certain grant programs which when used in conjunction with CF loans can be more effectively utilized. Agreement will likely be a general cooperative agreement.

4. **Authority:** To coordinate Federal Railroad ADM,, DOT, and FmHA Community Facility loan programs in rural areas.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** John Bowles, Ext. (202) 447-7667

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10826

2. **Title:** Community Facility loans for electric and telephone facilities

3. **Description:** Consider making FmHA loans for electric and telephone facilities to communities not eligible for REA assistance.

4. **Authority:** To provide a complete spectrum of loan assistance to rural communities in need.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 2/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** John Bowles, Ext. (202) 447-7667

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10827

2. **Title:** Assistance to Energy Impacted Areas

3. **Description:** Provide grants for planning, land acquisition, and site development to energy impact areas

4. **Authority:** Powerplant and Industrial Fuel Use Act, Section 601

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Paul Kugler, Ext. (202) 447-2573

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10828

2. **Title:** Small Communities Conferences

3. **Description:** A series of conferences under USDA leadership with several other departments cooperating, for the purpose of addressing the critical economic needs of small rural communities.

4. **Authority:** Section 603, Rural Development Act of 1972

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Carl Larson, Ext. (202) 447-7595

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10829

2. **Title:** Small Farm Policy Development

3. **Description:** USDA agencies to develop coordinated small farm policy and priorities as followup to the small farms conferences held in 1978.

4. **Authority:** Section 603 Rural Development Act of 1972

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** by 11/15/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Carl Larson, Ext. (202) 447-7595

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10834

2. **Title:** Rural Transportation Cooperatives

3. **Description:** Analyze the appropriateness of using the REA model for rural transportation

4. **Authority:** Sec. 603 Rural Development Act, to attempt to find a method to stablize basic transportation in rural areas.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/15/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Ira Kaye, Ext. (202) 447-7367

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10835

2. **Title:** Presidential Initiative on Rural Public Transit Coordination

3. **Description:** A series of presidential statements, OMB circulars, interagency agreements are contemplated to assure maximum feasible coordination of federal transit resources in towns and rural areas.

4. **Authority:** To carry out Congressional mandate in Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978 and complete IACC task force activities.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/15/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Ira Kaye, Ext. (202) 447-7367

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10838

2. **Title:** Study on Transportation and Communication Trade offs

3. **Description:** A series of phased contracts with National Research Council to develop the form and parameters of the study and then organize and conduct the study.

4. **Authority:** To resolve a growing conflict between two technologies addressing common problems in rural development

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/19/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Ira Kaye, Ext. (202) 447-7367

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10840

2. **Title:** Use Community Based Organizations to enhance outreach and effectiveness of FmHA programs targeted to low-income and minorities.

3. **Description:** Identify and assess capabilities of rural community based organizations to assist FmHA in reaching targeted populations. Enter into agreements on a pilot basis.

4. **Authority:** Section 603 of Rural Development Act of 1972.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/28/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Craig Ahlbery, Ext. (202) 447-4488

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10841

2. **Title:** Model of Joint Agreement to Cooperate between FmHA State Directors and Governors

3. **Description:** The model would be used to guide state directors as they negotiate cooperative agreements in support of state comprehensive rural development trageting strategies.

4. **Authority:** Rural Development Act of 1972, Section 603; FmHA Administrator's Policy Memorandum on Development Policy Goals, Sept. 18, 1978

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/30/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/15/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Craig Bigler, Ext. (202) 447-5941

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10842

2. **Title:** Joint Memorandum of Agreement between FmHA and the Appalachian Regional Commission

3. **Description:** The Agreement will commit FmHA to follow the priorities set by local development districts and states, FmHA and ARC to jointly set priorities and establish and support compatible programs in rural development.

4. **Authority:** Rural Development Act of 1972, Section 603; FmHA Administrator's Policy Memorandum on Development Policy Goals, Sept. 18. 1978

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/3/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/17/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Craig Bigler, Ext. (202) 447-5941

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10844

2. **Title:** Phase II, National rural Community Facilities Assessment Study.

3. **Description:** Major feasibility study currently underway with ABT Assoc. to determine the data requirements, collection and analysis plans for making the assessments. Performance criteria and types of communities to be included will be presented to FmHA prior to the initiation of Phase II. Supplemental study to be conducted by Agency.

4. **Authority:** Agency initiative to develop national and state assessments of the current status of community facilities relative to acceptable performance standards.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Lou Higgs, Ext. (202) 447-9296

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10847

2. **Title:** Rural Development Progress Report (due to Congress 1/1/79)

3. **Description:** Appraise Congress of Executive actions to promote rural development

4. **Authority:** Required by Rural Development Act of 1972.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/27/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/21/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** John Leslie, Ext. (202) 447-4550

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10848

2. **Title:** Refine data gathering to aid state directors in development strategy.

3. **Description:** Identify, refine and gather data to supply state directors to assist State Directors in complying with the Administrator's memorandum on targeting FmHA programs.

4. **Authority:** Administrator's Policy Memorandum of Sept. 18, 1978

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 6/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Richard Long, Ext. (202) 447-5941

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10849

2. **Title:** Review of Restructuring of FmHA Delivery System

3. **Description:** Review of regulations concerning the restructuring of FmHA state and county personnel system.

4. **Authority:** Section 4, Executive Order 12044. OMB Circular 116

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/31/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Neil Storms, Ext. (202) 447-4487

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10853

2. **Title:** Business and Industrial Guaranteed Loan Program Evaluation

3. **Description:** Evaluation will include an analysis of institutional processing characteristics, loan portifolio characteristics and alternative types of assistance

4. **Authority:** Agency Initiative to evaluate the program

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 10/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dick Ackley, Ext. (202) 447-6586

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10856

2. **Title:** Needs Assessment Capability Study

3. **Description:** The Needs Assessment Component will be designed to be nationally applicable, to be used at the national level in assessing the relative needs of States, and within assessing the relative needs of counties.

4. **Authority:** Center for Census Use Studies has contracted to develop a Needs Assessment Component to help FmHA assess relative levels of need for its loan programs.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** Completed
   b. **Date of proposal:** Completed
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Mark Nestle, Ext. (202) 447-6484

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10858

2. **Title:** Weatherization Program - A change in emphasis

3. **Description:** Review alternative procedures available to improve effectiveness of programs.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative to increase effectiveness of current programs to meet the President's energy program.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** J. Maetzold, Ext. (202) 447-6586

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10864

2. **Title:** Section 502 Loans

3. **Description:** Revise FmHA 444.1 to allow single family housing loans to FmHA employees.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 7/1/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Byron Fischer, Ext. (202) 447-4295

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10865

2. **Title:** FmHA Inst. 1980-E B&I Loan Program

3. **Description:** To revise FmHA 1980.411(a) to encourage the financing of housing development sites when adequate sites are not available to low- and moderate-income families.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative to increase availability of building sites in rural American

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Eugene Carnette, Ext. (202) 447-4295

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10866

2. **Title:** Section 502 Loans Income Limitations

3. **Description:** To adjust current limits for inflation.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 5/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Byron Fischer, Ext. (202) 447-4295

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10870

2. **Title:** Compensation for Construction Defects

3. **Description:** Revise FmHA Inst. 1924.1 To allow FmHA borrowers to collect damages for construction defects.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Elvon Spencer, Ext. (202) 447-4295

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10883

2. **Title:** Small Business Enterprise Loans

3. **Description:** Issue regulations for implementation of program.

4. **Authority:** Section 304 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Carl Opstad, Ext. (202) 447-4572

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10886

2. **Title:** Account Servicing Policy Instruction

3. **Description:** To revise account servicing regulations to provide for consolidating, rescheduling, and deferring repayments on Farmer Program loans.

4. **Authority:** To incorporate provisions of H.R. 11504

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of revision:** 10/23/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/15/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/30/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Thomas Baden, Ext. (202) 447-2331

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 1182

2. **Title:** Part 226 Child Care Food Program Regulations, Part 226

3. **Description:** Regulations will implement the pending legislation initiating new procedures and requirements for States including methods of funding and reimbursement.

4. **Authority:** Currently P.L. 94-105 and legislation pending signature of President Carter.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jordan Benderly, Ext. (202) 447-8211

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** FN 1183

2. **Title:** Summer Food Service Program for Children Regulations - Part 225

3. **Description:** Proposed regulations modify the existing (1978) regulations. Provisions are included to stabilize administrative funding to States and contractual payments to food vendors, State responsibilities for training are expanded and the eligibility of migrant children is clarified.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-166 requires the Department to propose regulations by November 1 of each year and issue final regulations by January 1.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 10/31/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jordan Benderly, Ext. (202) 447-8211

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 1184

2. **Title:** Summer Food Service Program for Children: Proposed Amendment - Part 225

3. **Description:** Amendment will provide Civil rights Regulations for State Agencies.

4. **Authority:** To fully implement the Department's Nondiscrimination Regulations (7 CFR Part 15) and Department of Justice (28 CFR sec. 42.401-15 and sec. 50.3) nondiscrimination enforcement at the State Ageney level.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jordan Benderly, Ext. (202) 447-8211

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 1185

2. **Title:** Proposed Amendment - Part 226 Child Care Food Program

3. **Description:** Amendment will provide Civil Rights Regulations for State Agencies

4. **Authority:** To fully implement the Department's Nondiscrimination Regulations (7 CFR Part 15) and Department of Justice (28 CFR sec. 42.401-15 and sec. 503.) nondiscrimination enforcement at the State Agency level.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 5/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 8/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jordan Benderly, Ext. (202) 447-8211

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 1186

2. **Title:** State Plan (210) for Child Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** Amendment to regulations to clarify items to be included in the State Plan.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative Court Order, FNS Depositions

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of reproposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 1188

2. **Title:** School Breakfast Program: Grain-Fruit Product - Withdrawal of Approval, Part 220

3. **Description:** Elimination of formulated grain/fruit products from the Breakfast Program to promote development of good food habits in the furtherance of nutrition education through a well-balanced diet of conventional foods.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/12/77
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/80

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 1189

2. **Title:** Contracting and procurement Regulations for School Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** Extension of procurement standards to local level. Currently regulations require that only State agencies must adhere to procurement standards under the National School Lunch Program.

4. **Authority:** OMB Circular A-102

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/13/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11810

2. **Title:** Contracting and Procurement Regulations for School Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** Regulations would require that contracts between School Food Authorities and food management companies contain provisions denying payments for meals not meeting nutritional requirements, sanctions for non-performance, and other provisions ensuring the best interest of school food service.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/13/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11812

2. **Title:** State Administrative Expense Funds (235) For Child Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** Regulations to amend Part 235 to specify the purpose and a formula for allocating SAE funds for fiscal years 1979 and 1980 at an amount above one percent to a State for the purpose of management, evaluation and improvement.

4. **Authority:** Statutory (P.L. 95-166)

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11813

2. **Title:** Program Administrative Review System for School Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** A series of regulatory amendments for management, evaluation and improvement designed to improve accountability. To assist State agencies, additional SAE funds will be provided.

4. **Authority:** Statutory (P.L. 95-166)

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11815

2. **Title:** School Breakfast Program: Revision of Criteria for Determining Especially Needy Schools, Part 220

3. **Description:** To revise Part 220, School Breakfast Program regulations to change the designation of a school from "especially needy" to read "a school in severe need" and to revise the existing criteria for determining schools in severe need.

4. **Authority:** Legislation and Departmental Initiative

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11817

2. **Title:** Eligibility of Indian Children for Free Meals and Milk in School Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** Legislative changes to be drafted to allow USDA to reimburse at free meal rates those meals served to Indian children for whom BIA is responsible and who are enrolled in public schools.

4. **Authority:** Class action lawsuit Vigil vs. Kleppe, et al against USDA and Dept. of Interior

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/1/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11819

2. **Title:** Civil Rights Regulations for School Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** Proposed to ensure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in School Programs. This regulation will specify State agency and where applicable, FNS Regional Office and local school food authorities' responsibilities under the Agency's Civil Rights Instruction 113-1 and applicable Civil Rights regulations.

4. **Authority:** FNS Instruction 113-1 which was issued pursuant to Department of Justice regulations (28 CFR 42.401-15), and USDA Title 7 Regulations.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11820

2. **Title:** Civil Rights Data Collection in School Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** Establishes a system for collection of data on race of applicants and permits states to allow local school systems to ask parents voluntarily to designate race on the free and reduced price application forms. The purpose of such data collection is to assure that program benefits are being equitably distributed without regard to race, color, or national origin.

4. **Authority:** Statutory Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/25/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11824

2. **Title:** To Establish Controls on Sales of Competitive Foods (210) in Schools

3. **Description:** Regulations to implement that Section of P. L. 95-166 which requires that the Secretary approve those foods which may be sold in competition with the lunch and breakfast served under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, thereby placing controls on the sale of competitive foods at State and local levels.

4. **Authority:** Statutory (P.L. 95-166)

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 12/78
   b. **Date of reproposal:** 3/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Margaret Glavin, Ext. (202) 447-8130

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11826

2. **Title:** Food Distribution Program: Review and republication of regulations (7 CFR Part 250)

3. **Description:** FDD to make a systematic review of regulations and recommend restructuring and consolidation;

4. **Authority:** Department's response to E.O. 12044 (Improving Government Regulations) designated Part 250 for review. The regulations date from 1958 and now include 41 amendments. Substantial portions have been obsolete owing to legislative and policy changes as well as realignment of responsibilities within FNS.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 5/59
   b. **Date of proposal:** 7/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Darrel Gray, Ext. (202) 447-8362

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11829

2. **Title:** Food Distribution Program: Civil Rights policies and procedures, Part 250

3. **Description:** A new section 250.14 will be added to food distribution regulations to set forth in detail nondiscrimination requirements for charitable institutions and nonprofit summer camps for children; other portions of the regulations will be amended to add germane provisions.

4. **Authority:** Title VI, Civil rights Act of 1964; Department of Justice regulations on nondiscrimination (28 CFR Part 42).

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Darrel Gray, Ext. (202) 447-8362

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11834

2. **Title:** Food Distribution Program: Commodity purchase dockets for domestic distribution

3. **Description:** (1) Develop purchase plans in order to provide required levels of food assistance for all eligible programs, in coordination with commodity and procuremnt divisions in FSQS and ASCS. (2) Arrange for allotment of funds to cover purchase, transportation and other costs. (3) Provide ASCS Kansas City Commodity Office with delivery orders and shipping schedules. (4) Prepare docket covering all purchases for following fiscal year.

4. **Authority:** FNS Instruction 101-6 assigns responsibilities for procurement of commodities under section 6 of National School Lunch Act and section 32 of P.L. 74-320.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 9/30/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Darrel Gray, Ext. (202) 447-8362

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11838

2. **Title:** Salt in Commodities for Donation Under Food Distribution Program

3. **Description:** Develop issue paper to be followed with a study of acceptability of salt-reduced and salt-free canned commodities.

4. **Authority:** High levels of salt in the diet contribute to health problems; accordingly, USDA has been requested to reduce levels of salt in commodities.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Arvid Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11839

2. **Title:** Nutrition Education and Training Program Civil Rights Regulation 7 CFR Part 227

3. **Description:** Issue proposed regulations to insure compliance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the NET Program.

4. **Authority:** Title VI Civil Rights Act 1964 - Need to issue proposed regulations.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Arvid Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11840

2. **Title:** Child Feeding Programs: Credit for Poultry frankfurter and luncheon meat in food service.

3. **Description:** Establish credit for poultry frankfurters and luncheon meats for use in Child Feeding Program, based on standards developed by FSQS.

4. **Authority:** NSLA authorizes the Secretary to prescribe regulations relating to nutritional requirements.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Arvid Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11841

2. **Title:** Child Nutrition Programs: Crediting of frankfurters.

3. **Description:** Distribution of addendum to Food Buying Guide, PA-270, to correct yield data on frankfurters.

4. **Authority:** NSLA and CNA give the Secretary the authority to prescribe regulations relating to nutritional requirements.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Arvid Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11842

2. **Title:** School Feeding Program: Definition of authorized milk products for use in food service.

3. **Description:** Develop definition for authorized milk products. This would clarify FNS policy pertaining to use of milkshakes. States are not interpreting requirement for "fluid" milk consistently as being synonymous with Class I dairy products.

4. **Authority:** NSLA and CNA give the Secretary the authority to prescribe regulations relating to nutritional requirements.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Arvid Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11843

2. **Title:** Authorization of Cookies in Summer Food Service Program for Children

3. **Description:** Delete cookies as an allowable alternate for bread in the meal supplement (snack).).

4. **Authority:** The NSLA authorizes the Secretary to prescribe regulations relating to nutritional requirements.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Arvid Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11845

2. **Title:** Summer Food Service Program for Children; Meal Requirements for Supplemental Food.

3. **Description:** Reduce the quantity of fruit/vegetable required in the meal supplement (snack) in the summer food service program.

4. **Authority:** The NSLA authorizes the Secretary to prescribe regulations relating to nutritional requirements.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Arvid Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11846

2. **Title:** School Feeding Programs: Crediting of Peanuts

3. **Description:** Publish proposed regulatory change allowing partial credit to peanuts in meeting the meat/meat alternate requirement when accompanied by another recognized entree item.

4. **Authority:** NSLA and CNA give the Secretary authority to prescribe regulations relating to the service of food.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Arvid Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11847

2. **Title:** Special Supplemental Food Program Civil rights Regulation (Amendment 3 to Part 246) - Proposed

3. **Description:** Regulatory amendment to strengthen the Civil Rights compliance activities in the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children.

4. **Authority:** Department of Justice regulations

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jennifer Nelson, Ext. (202) 447-8206

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11852

2. **Title:** Special Supplemental Food Program Regulations.

3. **Description:** Interim regulations must be published within 120 days from President's signing of Bill. This is stipulated in the proposed legislation.

4. **Authority:** Proposed legislation will require significant changes; however certain changes need to be made to improve Program operations even if new legislation is delayed.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jennifer Nelson, Ext. (202) 447-8206

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11857

2. **Title:** Commodity Supplemental Food Program; Development of Standards for Clinical Testing of Non-commercial Products

3. **Description:** The legislation calls for the Secretary to set standards for testing noncommercial products. A procedure will need to be developed and promulgated.

4. **Authority:** Proposed legislation awaiting the President's signature.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** J. R. Nelson/A Dopson, Ext. (202) 447-9081

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11858

2. **Title:** Special Supplemental Food Program Policy on Reallocation of Funds

3. **Description:** A paper detailing several alternative procedures will be developed.

4. **Authority:** It will undoubtedly be necessary to reallocate unspent WIC funds and methodology needs to be selected.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jennifer Nelson, Ext. (202) 447-8206

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11865

2. **Title:** Special Supplemental Food Program Administrative Funding Policy

3. **Description:** Proposal of an administrative funding methodology for the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) which conforms to the legislation.

4. **Authority:** Proposed legislation awaiting the President's signature.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** None
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jennifer Nelson, Ext. (202) 447-8206

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11867

2. **Title:** Special Supplemental Food Program Regulations on Use of Commodities

3. **Description:** Review of commodities being made to see which will meet Program nutrient requirement. Authorized commodities and procedures for State agencies to use in ordering commodities will be published in new regulations.

4. **Authority:** Requirement in legislation awaiting President's signature as well as Department's desire to utilize such foods in the WIC Program.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jennifer Nelson, Ext. (202) 447-8206

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11868

2. **Title:** Commodity Supplemental Food Program, Food Package Changes

3. **Description:** Revision of authorized foods to be published in final regulations.

4. **Authority:** Participants' request for changes in certain foods offered; also a need for provision of certain types of infant formula.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jennifer Nelson, Ext. (202) 447-8206

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11869

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning administrative cost allocations for States

3. **Description:** Regulations concern the reimbursement to States for administrative costs incurred in operating the Food Stamp Program.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11870

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Work Registration Joint Rulemaking

3. **Description:** Defines and assigns the responsibility for administering the food stamp work registration requirement including job search activities to the appropriate agencies within the Departments of Labor and Agriculture. Additionally the responsibilities and penalties for failure to comply with work requirements by participating households will be delineated.

4. **Authority:** P. L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Nancy Snyder, Ext. (202) 447-8982

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11873

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning the Performance Reporting System

3. **Description:** Regulations require that the existing system be continued and further refined to ensure that States assess themselves at the local level and report to the Department on their efficiency and effectiveness.

4. **Authority:** P. L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Nancy Snyder, Ext. (202) 447-8982

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11874

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning points, hours, outreach, State complaints.

3. **Description:** Establish requirements for State outreach activities, locations and hours of certification and issuance offices, and for State handling of complaints.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Nancy Snyder, Ext. (202) 447-8982

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11875

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning the participation of Indians.

3. **Description:** Regulations allow Indian participation in the Food Distribution Program and the Food Stamp Program; also will allow in certain cases capable tribes to operate those programs.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Nancy Snyder, Ext. (202) 447-8982

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11876

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning SSI joint processing

3. **Description:** Regulations allow SSI households and applicants to apply for food stamps at Social Security Offices.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Nancy Snyder, Ext. (202) 447-8982

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11877

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning State Plan of Operation

3. **Description:** Establish requirements for the State agency preparation and submittal of the State Plan of Operation which is the contract between States and the Department.

4. **Authority:** P. L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Nancy Snyder, Ext. (202) 447-8982

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11878

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning FNS and State steps to be taken in the case of natural disasters.

3. **Description:** Regulations describe how FNS and the States will react to natural disasters to insure continued benefits to participants and to the new group of people who may be eligible in the States following disasters.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Nancy Snyder, Ext. (202) 447-8982

   **Secretary's Office:** John Subat, Ext. (202) 447-2113

1. **Calendar No:** FN 11879

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning State sanctions and liabilities

3. **Description:** Regulations define the situations and criteria to be used by FNS for taking fiscal sanctions against States when it has been determined that States have failed to comply with the Act, regulations or State Plans.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Nancy Snyder, Ext. (202) 447-8982

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FOREST SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** FS 1081

2. **Title:** National Forest System Land and Resource Management Planning

3. **Description:** Issue regulations to guide the land and resource planning process for the National Forest System

4. **Authority:** Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resource Planning Act of 1974 as amended by the National Forest Management Act of 1976.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/31/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Rex Hartgraves, Ext. (202) 447-5933

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 1082

2. **Title:** Title V Regulations of Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (P.L. 94-579)

3. **Description:** Revise regulations governing "Special Uses" other than recreaction and rights-of-way to incorporate provisions of P.L. 94-579.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 94-579 (90 Stat. 2743), Sec. 310 requires that regulations be promulgated.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/4/77
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** William R. Boring, Ext. (703) 235-8107

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 1083

2. **Title:** Cost Recovery Policy Issue

3. **Description:** No uniform policy among Federal agencies on collecting costs incurred in processing applications for use of Federal lands. This is being brought to the attention of the Office of Management and Budget by U.S. Department of Agriculture for consideration in establishing a government-wide policy.

4. **Authority:** Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, P.L. 94-579 (90 Stat. 2743), Secs. 304 and 504(g).

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:**

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** R. M. Housley, Ext. (202) 447-7465

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 1084

2. **Title:** RARE II Final Environmental Statement

3. **Description:** A Final Environmental Statement with decisions on roadless areas to be allocated to non-wildnernes uses and areas requiring further planning to determine wilderness or non-wilderness allocation and make recommendations to Congress for wilderness designation.

4. **Authority:** Determine National Forest share of National Wilderness Preservation System and which areas inventoried in RARE II should be allocated to non-wilderness and further planning.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** In progress
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/29/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** R. K. Griswold, Ext. (202) 447-2956

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 1085

2. **Title:** Implementation of P.L. 95-313, The Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978

3. **Description:** Update and clarify Forest Service Manual program guidelines and existing regulations.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-313 updates and reorganizes existing authorities for cooperative forestry programs.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:**

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** John C. Barber, Ext. (202) 447-3331

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 1086

2. **Title:** Draft 1980 RPA Assessment and Program

3. **Description:** The decision to release draft documents that assess the Nation's renewable resource situation and that describe Alternative Program Directions for the Forest Service for the next 50 years.

4. **Authority:** Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Act of 1974

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 2/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 9/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Lamar Beasley, Ext. (202) 447-5440

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 1088

2. **Title:** Regulations for administering Forest Highways

3. **Description:** Revise definition - update selection criteria to reflect Federal interests in routes and projects.

4. **Authority:** Change in law. Gao Audit Report CED-77-130 B164497(3)

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Mike Hawlett, Ext. (703) 235-8035

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 1089

2. **Title:** Public Participation Procedures

3. **Description:** Establishment by regulation to give the Federal, State & local governments and the public adequate notice and opportunity to comment upon the formulation of standards, criteria, and guidelines applicable to Forest Service programs.

4. **Authority:** Sec. 11 National Forest Management Act of 1976

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** Spring 1979

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Robert M. Lake, Ext. (202) 447-3760

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 10810

2. **Title:** Revised Regulations for Debarment of Timber Purchasers

3. **Description:** Revise regulations. Publish proposed and final regulations in Federal Register.

4. **Authority:** Current regulations are outdated and do not provide for consideration of recent legislation.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 10/78
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Norm Gould, Ext. (202) 447-6893

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 10811

2. **Title:** Secretary Review of Rate Redetermination for Alaska Lumber and Pulp Co. Sale

3. **Description:** Review, report, and recommendations from Board regarding rates for Alaska Lumber and Pulp Co. long term timber sale contract.

4. **Authority:** Request to Secretary by purchaser to appoint special Board to review rates redetermined by the Forest Service.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Norm Gould, Ext. (202) 447-6893

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 10812

2. **Title:** Final Regulations for Special Salvage Timber Sale Program

3. **Description:** Regulations to detail guidelines for the program. Provide preferential sales to small concerns with 25 or fewer employees.

4. **Authority:** Implement set-aside program for small business firms with less than 25 employees.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 10/78
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Norm Gould, Ext. (202) 447-6893

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 10813

2. **Title:** Amendment to Regulation 36 CFR 222, Management of Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros

3. **Description:** Amendments in Regulations are needed to implement provisions of the Act including: Inventories, research, disposal of unadoptable animals, assigning of title of adopted animals. Regulations must be coordinated with efforts by U.S. Department of the Interior.

4. **Authority:** Public Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 12/15/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** William Evans, Ext. (703) 235-8139

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 10814

2. **Title:** Amendment to Regulation 36 CFR 222, Grazing and Livestock Use on the National Forest System

3. **Description:** Regulation amendments are needed to implement provisions of the Public Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978 including: (1) Rangeland inventories and management, (2) grazing permits and leases, and (3) allotment management plans, Grazing Advisory Boards, and experiemtnal stewardship program. Efforts must be coordinated with U.S. Department of Interior.

4. **Authority:** Enactment of the Public, Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/15/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** William Evans, Ext. (703) 235-8139

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 10815

2. **Title:** Amend Grazing Fee Regulation; 36 CFR 222 Grazing and Livestock Use

3. **Description:** Write new grazing fee regulations to implement new legislation. Must be coordinated with Bureau of Land Management/Department of the Interior. Formal rulemaking procedures.

4. **Authority:** To conform with requirements of the Public Rangelands Improvement Act of 1978

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/9/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/9/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** William Evans, Ext. (703) 235-8139

   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

1. **Calendar No:** FS 10816

2. **Title:** Forest Service Manual 2351 Off-road Vehicle Management

3. **Description:** Promulgate revised Forest Service Manual direction to field units. Revisions based on recent activity review and task force help.

4. **Authority:** Current policy requires updating based on final rules published May 1978.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** John Fedkiw, Ext. (202) 447-7963

FOOD SAFETY AND QUALITY SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 1083

2. **Title:** Voluntary Quality Control Regulations - Sanitation and Carcass Cleanliness.

3. **Description:** This proposal would permit firms to meet inspection requirements by implementing company-operated quality control programs. This would permit FSQS to shift more responsibility to industry with FSQS monitoring industry performance.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.; 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq Additional information to improve system of inspection while holding down costs as outlined in report on Strengthening Meat and Poultry Inspection.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 5/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/18/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** D. L. Houston, Ext. (202) 447-3473

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

FOOD SAFETY AND QUALITY SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 1084

2. **Title:** Poultry Chiller Water Regulation

3. **Description:** New regulation will permit plants to reduce volume of replacement water in poultry chilling tanks by 50 percent providing the plant adds chlorine to the water in the amount of 20 parts per million.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq. Additional information: This regulation will conserve water, reduce the energy necessary for chilling, and reduce work water pollution.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 11/21/78

6. **Contacts:**

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   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 1086

2. **Title:** Revise $18,000 Limit on Retail Exemption from continuous inspection

3. **Description:** A retail store is currently exempt from continuous meat inspection provided its sales of meat items do not exceed $18,000 per year. The new regulation would raise the $18,000 limit to account for the inflation that has transpired since 1973, when this limit was fixed.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et. seq.; 21 U.S.C. 451 et. seq Further information: This action is in response to a petition from retail stores.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/16/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/16/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** D. L. Houston, Ext. (202) 447-3473

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 1087

2. **Title:** Regulatory Plan for Cured Pork Products

3. **Description:** 1) Cured pork products contain varying amounts of water that is introduced with the curing agents. The amount of added water is limited by regulation. The new regulatory plan would establish a standard for these products based on protein content rather than added water, and establish more effective enforcement procedures. The protein content standard should provide useful information to consumers.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq. Better method to enforce added water requirements.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/15/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** R. E. Engel, Ext. (202) 447-2326

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 1088

2. **Title:** Work Week Prposal

3. **Description:** This proposal would modify existing regulations governing hours of operations for plants operating under meat and poultry inspection. It would provide a uniform policy regarding work schedules, eliminate many administrative and functional problems.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq. 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/16/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/17/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** D. L. Houston, Ext. (202) 447-3473

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10811

2. **Title:** Quality Assurance program for the Procurement of Food by Federal Agencies.

3. **Description:** Congress has directed the Secretary of Agriculture to assume responsibility for the quality of the food items purchased by Federal agencies. USDA's quality assurance program will set forth food specifications and provide the means for seeing whether the food actually purchased by Federal agencies meets the specifications.

4. **Authority:** Office of Federal Procurement Policy memorandum to Secretary Bergland on July 29, 1977.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Eddie Kimbrell, Ext. (202) 447-4016

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10812

2. **Title:** Studies on Uniform Grade Nomenclature

3. **Description:** Option paper, including background information, prepared & approved by Asst. Sec. Foreman in late Aug. 1978. Studies on the possibility to realign grade standards for eggs, butter, cheese, and nonfat dry milk are underway. Discussion with affected parties has begun.

4. **Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 1621 et seq. Requested by Assistant Secretary Carol Tucker Foreman.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 3/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 7/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/80

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Eddie Kimbrell, Ext. (202) 447-4016

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10818

2. **Title:** Establish Microbiological Criteria for Meat & Poultry Products

3. **Description:** This proposal will establish limits on the amount of bacteria that may be present in selected meat and poultry products and will describe enforcement procedures.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq. 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 8/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** R. E. Engel, Ext. (202) 447-2326

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10821

2. **Title:** Nitrosamine Monitoring

3. **Description:** This random monitoring program will test bacon for the presence of nitrosamine at confirmable levels. Bacon found out of compliance will be retained, and plants will be required to correct procedures to preclude nitrosamine formation at detectable levels.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq. Additional information: Nitrosamines have been found to be carcinogenic and are therefore adulterants under the Federal Meat Inspection Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/5/79
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Testing Begins:** 12/4/78

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** R. E. Engel, Ext. (202) 447-2326

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10822

2. **Title:** Antibiotic Residues

3. **Description:** This is a cooperative program among the dairy industry, the drug industry, the Extension Service, and FDA to educate dairymen about the need to eliminate drug residues in meat. The program includes development and implementation of test procedures to detect residues.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq. Additional Information: Product containing excessive antibiotic residues is adulterated under the Federal Meat Inspection Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/1/79
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:**

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** R. E. Engel, Ext. (202) 447-2326

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10823

2. **Title:** Sulfonamides in Swine

3. **Description:** This is a program to attack a problem with residues of sulfonamides (antibacterial drugs added to swine feed to prevent disease) in pork. Currently, 10% of samples tested reveal excessive levels. The program will include intensive monitoring, Departmental research, producer education, and epidemiological studies aimed at eliminating these residues.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 9/79
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:**

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** R. E. Engel, Ext. (202) 447-2326

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10830

2. **Title:** Proteolytic Enzyme Proposals

3. **Description:** This document would propose two regulatory changes. One will permit the use of protealytic enzymes to tenderize poultry meat. The other regulation will extent the current permission for the use of such enzymes in beef to other red meat species.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq. Additional Information: Request from poultry industry to use papain in fowl as tenderizer. Already permitted in beef.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** L. L. Gast, Ext. (202) 447-8803

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10832

2. **Title:** Proposal on mechanically processed poultry product.

3. **Description:** This proposal would establish standards and labeling requirements for the product that results from the mechanical separation of meat tissue from bones. The safety of this product is now in the final stages of evaluation. Following this evaulation, the proposal will be published and public hearings held.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 7/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** L. L. Gast, Ext. (202) 447-8803

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10834

2. **Title:** Nitrates and Nitrites Regulation

3. **Description:** This regulation, if finalized as proposed, will allow the manufacture of traditionally cured (nitrite containing) products without the use of nitrite or with low levels of nitrite. Such products would be permitted to bear the traditional name (e.g. hot dog, bacon, or bologna).

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 4/27/78
   c. **Final Decision:** Undetermined

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** L.L. Gast, Ext. (202) 447-8803

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10835

2. **Title:** Standard for Turkey Ham

3. **Description:** This regulation would establish the name ("Turkey Ham" is the proposed name) and labeling requirements for the product that consists of cured turkey thigh meat. The purpose of the regulation is to provide an accurate and identifiable description of this product for consumers.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq. Additional Information: The poultry industry has requested a standard. The red meat industry has petitioned for restriction of the term "ham" to leg of swine.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 6/2/78
   c. **Final Decision:** Undetermined

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** L. L. Gast, Ext. (202) 447-8803

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10837

2. **Title:** U.S. Ungraded Proposal

3. **Description:** A National public opinion firm will conduct a survey to determine consumer perceptions of USDA quality grades, the USDA mark of inspection, and the possible use of the term, "U.S. Ungraded" on meat that is inspected but not graded. The survey will also include alternatives to the term "Ungraded" and provide the basis for decisions on whether to issue a proposal requiring the use of the term "Ungraded."

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq. Additional Infdormation: A previous proposal on the "U graded" designation was published on January 23, 1978. The comments raised significant questions concerning consumer perception of this term.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Contract Selection:** 11/3/78
   b. **Survey Approval:** 12/18/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** L. L. Gast, Ext. (202) 447-8803

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10842

2. **Title:** Proposal to Revise Meat Grade Standards and Regulations

3. **Description:** This action will make several changes in the system of grading determinations more accurate and uniform and less subject to fraudulent practices. The rules for deciding upon quality grades will become more objective.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, 7 U.S.C. 1621 et seq. Additional information: Proposal will make major revisions in grading proposal as published in the January 23, 1978, Federal Register.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/1/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Jerry Goodall, Ext. (202) 447-4727

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** FSQ 10845

2. **Title:** Final Net Weight Regulation

3. **Description:** This action will make changes in net weight regulations to require that the net weight statements on meat and poultry products be accurate at all points in the distribution chain from processing plant to retail store.

4. **Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.; 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq. Additional Information: Proposal was in response to petition from State Weights and Measures Officials.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/77
   c. **Final Decision:** Awaiting comments on Consumer Fed. of American Econ. Study.

   **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** D. L. Houston, Ext. (202) 447-3473

   **Secretary's Office:** Lynn Maish, Ext. (202) 447-6667

1. **Calendar No:** OG 1081

2. **Title:** Report to the Congress on Export Sales Reporting

3. **Description:** Analyze the effectiveness of the export sales reporting provisions of Section 812 of the Agricultural Act of 1970 and submit through the Secretary of Agriculture a report of its findings, including recommendations for improving such reporting provisions.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (95th Congress, 2nd Session), Title VI, Section 603.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/3/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Richard Finkbeiner, Ext. (202) 447-5651

   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

OFFICE OF GENERAL SALES MANAGER

1. **Calendar No:** OG 1082

2. **Title:** Intermediate Credit Program for Breeding Stock

3. **Description:** Development of a program concept; draft CCC Board Dockets, and obtain CCC Board approvals; obtain other necessary clearances; write, clear, and announce program rules and regulations.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Trade Act of 1978, (95th Congress, 2nd Session), Title I.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Francis Woodling, Ext. (202) 447-3573

   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

1. **Calendar No:** OG 1088

2. **Title:** Report to Congress of Title IV of the Trade Act of 1974

3. **Description:** Analyze the effects on American Agriculture of Title IV of the Trade Act of 1974, including a recommendation as to whether the provisions of such Title should be repealed or amended.

4. **Authority:** Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (95th Congress, 2nd Session), Title VI, Section 604

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** by 4/30/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** George Shanklin, Ext. (202) 447-4274

   **Secretary's Office:** W. Scott Steele, Ext. (202) 447-2095

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION

1. **Calendar No:** RE 1082

2. **Title:** Electric Loan Policies and Application Procedures, Bulletin 20-2

3. **Description:** REA-financed electric systems will be required to provide REA with certain information annually that indicates the end uses of electric energy.

4. **Authority:** To help meet the Administration's energy conservation goals and obtain information needed to improve estimates of future power requirements.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 5/19/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 9/29/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Richard Richter, Ext. (202) 447-6237

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION

1. **Calendar No:** RE 1083

2. **Title:** Exhibit G to Bulletin 20-21:320-21; Floodplain and Wetlands Procedures

3. **Description:** Issue REA regulations to implement the mandate of E.O. 11988 (floodplain management) and E.O. 11990 (protection of wetlands) for Federal agencies to design procedures to protect these two classes of areas.

4. **Authority:** Rural Electrification Act; NEPA; Executive Order 11988 and 11990

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/29/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 12/768

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Richard Richter, Ext. (202) 447-6237

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** RE 1084

2. **Title:** Energy Conservation and Future Service Requirement, Bulletin 120-2

3. **Description:** REA-financed electric systems will be required to have an energy conservation policy, a program designed to conserve energy in their own facilities, and a plan for assisting consumers to conserve energy.

4. **Authority:** To help meet the Administration's energy conservation goals and help assure that REA loan funds are limited to the financing of needed facilities.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 5/19/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 10/3/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Richard Richter, Ext. (202) 447-6237

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** RE 1086

2. **Title:** Construction Methods and Purchase of Materialis and Equipment, Bulletin 40-6

3. **Description:** This change would permit REA borrowers to limit the contractor's liability for special and consequential damages under REA Form 200, "Construction Contract - Generating".

4. **Authority:** To establish a limit on the contractor's liability for special and consequential damages.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 6/20/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/28/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Richard Richter, Ext. (202) 447-6237

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** RE 1088

2. **Title:** Joint Use of REA Borrowers' Facilities by Electric and Telephone Systems, Bulletin 5-1:305-1

3. **Description:** The change would permit REA borrowers to enter into joint use agreements without REA approval; provided, that the agreement is executed on a standard REA contract form.

4. **Authority:** To eliminate requirement for REA approval of joint use agreements executed on REA standard forms.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/28/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 8/31/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Richard Richter, Ext. (202) 447-6237

**Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** RE 1089

2. **Title:** National Environmental Policy Act, Bulletin 20-21:320-21

3. **Description:** Revise the bulletin so that REA formal required procedures fully reflect and implement Federal environmental statues, Federal environmental regulations and Executive Orders promulgated since issuance of the existing Bulletin 20-21:320-21

4. **Authority:** Rural Electrification Act; NEPA; CEQ NEPA regulations (when issued); and other Federal environmental statues, regulations and Executive Orders

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 3/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 6/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** Richard Richter, Ext. (202) 4476237

**Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** RE 10819

2. **Title:** Sale of Property by Telephone Borrowers, Bulletin 415-1

3. **Description:** Revision of this bulletin will reduce paper work by borrowers and REA. Revision will permit sale of certain terminal equipment without prior REA approval.

4. **Authority:** To permit REA-financed telephone systems to sell certain terminal equipment to customers.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/15/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 2/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

**Agency:** C. R. Ballard, Ext. (202) 447-4305

**Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

SOIL CONSERVATION SERVICE

1. **Calendar No:** SC 1081

2. **Title:** 7 CFR Chapter VI, Part 624, and Watershed Memorandum No. 124, Emergency Flood Protection

3. **Description:** Review rules and regulations for Emergency Flood Protection under authority of Section 216, Public Law 81-516, 64 Stat 184.

4. **Authority:** Requested by the Secretary.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/20/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 6/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** James W. Mitchell, Ext. (202) 447-3527

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 1082

2. **Title:** 7 CFR Chapter VI, Part 622, Watershed Projects

3. **Description:** Review rules and regulations for Watershed projects carried out under authority of Public Law 83-566, 68 Stat. 666, as amended

4. **Authority:** Selected pursuant to E. O. 12044, Improving Government Regulations

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 5/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/80

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Joseph W. Haas, Ext. (202) 447-4527

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 1083

2. **Title:** Compliance with NEPA

3. **Description:** Revision of Rules (7CFR Part 650) to comply with new CEQ guidelines

4. **Authority:** Change in CEQ Guidelines

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 3/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 5/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 8/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Glen Loomis, Ext. (202) 447-3853

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 1084

2. **Title:** SCS Public Participation Plan

3. **Description:** SCS will adopt a public participation plan that will guide future activities related to making decisions.

4. **Authority:** Required by Secretary's Memorandum 1955

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 2/15/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 6/15/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 10/15/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Victor Barry, Ext. (202) 447-7245

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10810

2. **Title:** Landrights, Water Rights and Construction Permits (7 CFR Part 651)

3. **Description:** SCS requires sponsors of projects to acquire all necessary landrights as a condition for receiving Federal financial assistance. This part sets forth the requirements for the acquisition of landrights.

4. **Authority:** Codify SCS Policy For Projects Receiving Federal Financial Assistance

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 11/15/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/1/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Leo Link, Ext. (202) 447-2177

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10812

2. **Title:** Final rules for the Surface Mining and Reclamation Act, P.L. 95-87

3. **Description:** The final rules on prime farmland must have the concurrence of the Secretary of Agriculture. The final rules are scheduled for publication on January 10, 1979.

4. **Authority:** The Secretary of Agriculture is responsible for the prime farmlands section of the regulations governing surface coal mining.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 11/17/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/5/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/10/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** James Newman, Ext. (202) 447-2324

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10813

2. **Title:** Plan for Completing Soil Mapping Nationwide

3. **Description:** Evaulate workload remaining to complete the onceover soil mapping and set target date for completing. Evaluate soil survey publication needs in survey areas having few individual landowners with the objective of reducing publication costs.

4. **Authority:** Soil mapping nationwide is about 67% completed. Need a plan for orderly completion of remaining areas.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:**

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** V. G. Link, Ext. (202) 447-4931

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10814

2. **Title:** Aquaculture Activities

3. **Description:** Assess present program, inventory statutory authorities, and identify opportunities for new and expanded programs in aquaculture.

4. **Authority:** Request from the Secretary

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:**

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dave Overholt, Ext. (202) 447-7145

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10815

2. **Title:** Great Plains Conservation Program (GPCP)

3. **Description:** Preparation of legislative proposal on the question of extending GPCP beyond 12/81 including identification of proposed changes in regulations.

4. **Authority:** GPCP authority expires 12/31/81

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 6/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/2/80
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/2/81

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Dave Overholt, Ext. (202) 447-7145

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10816

2. **Title:** Revision of SCS policy relating to Endangered Species.

3. **Description:** The current SCS policy 7 CFR 650.22 will be revised.

4. **Authority:** Compliance with NEPA.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 1/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 6/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 9/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** T. N. Shiflet, Ext. (202) 447-2587

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10817

2. **Title:** Revision of SCS Environmental Policy Memorandum, EVT #1

3. **Description:** Memorandum needs updating and review to ensure compatibility with legislation and Administration policy.

4. **Authority:** Compliance with NEPA

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 3/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 6/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 9/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Glen Loomis, Ext. (202) 447-3853

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10818

2. **Title:** Formulation of SCS Wetlands Protection Policy

3. **Description:** A new subsection, 7 CFR 650.26 Protection of Wetlands is being prepared.

4. **Authority:** Compliance with NEPA and E.O. 11990

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 6/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 9/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Glen Loomis, Ext. (202) 447-3853

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10819

2. **Title:** Formulation of SCS Flood Plain Management Policy

3. **Description:** A new subsection, 7 CFR 650.25 Management of Flood Plains is being prepared.

4. **Authority:** Compliance with NEPA and E.O. 11988

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 6/78
   b. **Date of proposal:** 9/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 2/79

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Glen Loomis, Ext. (202) 447-3853

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

1. **Calendar No:** SC 10820

2. **Title:** Revision to comply with new Historic Preservation Regulations

3. **Description:** Current SCS rules will be revised to comply with new regulations to be published March 1, 1979.

4. **Authority:** Compliance with NEPA and National Historic Preservation Act.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:** 6/79
   b. **Date of proposal:** 8/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 1/80

6. **Contacts:**

   **Agency:** Glen Loomis, Ext. (202) 447-3853

   **Secretary's Office:** Arnold Miller, Ext. (202) 447-3465

FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

1. **Calendar No:** Fm 10850

2. **Title:** Review of regulations and agreements on funding of rural development projects.

3. **Description:** Review of FmHA regulations, contracts and agreements with state and local governments which were intended to improve the affectiveness of FmHA programs through joint funding of rural development projects.

4. **Authority:** Section 4, Executive Order 12044. OMB Circular 116.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:**
   c. **Final Decision:** 3/31/78

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### CORRECTIONS TO DECISION CALENDAR

Certain corrections to the Decision Calendar [1] were received too late to be made prior to publication. They are incorporated in the following full text of each action containing a correction; with an asterik indicating the correction.

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[1] FR Doc 78-32093, also published in this part of the issue.

1. **Calendar No:** FN 1182

2. **Title:** Part 226 Child Care Food Program Regulations, Part 226

3. **Description:** Regulations will implement the pending legislation initiating new procedures and requirements for States including methods of funding and reimbursement.

4. **Authority:** Currently P.L. 94-105 and legislation pending signature of President Carter.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. Date of pre-notice:
   b. Date of proposal: 1/79
   c. Final Decision: 5/79*

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1. **Calendar No:** FN 1186

2. **Title:** State Plan (210) for Child Nutrition Programs

3. **Description:** Amendment to regulations to clarify items to be included in the State Plan.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative Court Order, FNS Depositions

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. Date of pre-notice:
   b. Date of reproposal: 12/78*
   c. Final Decision: 6/79

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1. **Calendar No:** FN 1188

2. **Title:** School Breakfast Program: Grain-Fruit Product - Withdrawal of Approval, Part 220

3. **Description:** Elimination of formulated grain/fruit products from the Breakfast Program to promote development of good food habits in the furtherance of nutrition education through a well-balanced diet of conventional foods.

4. **Authority:** Departmental Initiative

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. Date of pre-notice:
   b. Date of proposal: 8/12/77
   c. Final Decision: 6/79*

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1. Calendar No: FN 11817

2. Title: Eligibility of Indian Children for Free Meals and Milk in School Nutrition Programs

3. Description: *Decision needs to be made on whether legislative changes should be drafted to allow USDA to reimburse at free meal rates those meals served to Indian children for whom BIA is responsible and who are enrolled in public schools.

4. Authority: Class action lawsuit Vigil vs. Kleppe, et al against USDA and Dept. of Interior

5. Projected Schedule

a. Date of pre-notice:
b. Date of proposal:
c. Final Decision: 12/78*

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1. Calendar No: FN 11845

2. Title: Summer Food Service Program for Children; Meal Requirements for Supplemental Food.

3. Description: *Decision is needed on whether to reduce the quantity of fruit/vegetable required in the supplemental food (snack) in the summer food service program.

4. Authority: The NSLA authorizes the Secretary to prescribe regulations relating to nutritional requirements.

5. Projected Schedule

a. Date of pre-notice:
b. Date of proposal: *
c. Final Decision: 1/79

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1. Calendar No: FN 11858

2. Title: Special Supplemental Food Program Policy on Reallocation of Funds

3. Description: A paper detailing several alternative procedures will be developed.

4. Authority: It will undoubtedly be necessary to reallocate unspent WIC funds and methodology needs to be selected.

5. Projected Schedule

a. Date of pre-notice:
b. Date of proposal: *
c. Final Decision: 12/78

6. Contacts:

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1. **Calendar No:** FN 11867

2. **Title:** Special Supplemental Food Program Regulations on Use of Commodities

3. **Description:** Review of commodities being made to see which will meet Program nutrient requirement. Authorized commodities and procedures for State agencies to use in ordering commodities will be published in new regulations.

4. **Authority:** Requirement in legislation awaiting President's signature as well as Department's desire to utilize such foods in the WIC Program.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. Date of pre-notice: 1/79
   b. Date of proposal: 2/79
   c. Final Decision: 6/79*

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1. **Calendar No:** FN 11868

2. **Title:** Commodity Supplemental Food Program, Food Package Changes

3. **Description:** Revision of authorized foods to be published in final regulations.

4. **Authority:** Participants' request for changes in certain foods offered; also a need for provision of certain types of infant formula.

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. Date of pre-notice:
   b. Date of proposal: *
   c. Final Decision: 1/79

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1. **Calendar No:** FN 11869

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning administrative cost allocations for States

3. **Description:** Regulations concern the reimbursement to States for administrative costs incurred in operating the Food Stamp Program.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. Date of pre-notice:
   b. Date of proposal: 12/78
   c. Final Decision: 4/79*

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1. Calendar No: FN 11873

2. Title: Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning the Performance Reporting System

3. Description: Regulations require that the existing system be continued and further refined to ensure that States assess themselves at the local level and report to the Department on their efficiency and effectiveness.

4. Authority: P. L. 95-113 Implementation

5. Projected Schedule

a. Date of pre-notice:
b. Date of proposal: 12/78
c. Final Decision: 4/79*

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1. Calendar No: FN 11874

2. Title: Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning points, hours, outreach, State complaints.

3. Description: Establish requirements for State outreach activities, locations and hours of certification and issuance offices, and for State handling of complaints.

4. Authority: P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. Projected Schedule

a. Date of pre-notice:
b. Date of proposal: 12/78
c. Final Decision: 4/79*

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1. Calendar No: FN 11875

2. Title: Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning the participation of Indians.

3. Description: Regulations allow Indian participation in the Food Distribution Program and the Food Stamp Program; also will allow in certain cases capable tribes to operate those programs.

4. Authority: P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. Projected Schedule

a. Date of pre-notice:
b. Date of proposal: 12/10/78*
c. Final Decision: 3/79

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1. **Calendar No:** FN 11876

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning SSI joint processing

3. **Description:** Regulations allow SSI households and applicants to apply for food stamps at Social Security Offices.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79*
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79*

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1. **Calendar No:** FN 11877

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning State Plan of Operation

3. **Description:** Establish requirements for the State agency preparation and submittal of the State Plan of Operation which is the contract between States and the Department.

4. **Authority:** P. L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 12/78
   c. **Final Decision:** 4/79*

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1. **Calendar No:** FN 11878

2. **Title:** Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning FNS and State steps to be taken in the case of natural disasters.

3. **Description:** Regulations describe how FNS and the States will react to natural disasters to insure continued benefits to participants and to the new group of people who may be eligible in the States following disasters.

4. **Authority:** P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. **Projected Schedule**

   a. **Date of pre-notice:**
   b. **Date of proposal:** 1/79
   c. **Final Decision:** 5/79*

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1. Calendar No: FN 11879

2. Title: Food Stamp Program: Regulations concerning State sanctions and liabilities

3. Description: Regulations define the situations and criteria to be used by FNS for taking fiscal sanctions against States when it has been determined that States have failed to comply with the Act, regulations or State Plans.

4. Authority: P.L. 95-113 Implementation

5. Projected Schedule

   a. Date of pre-notice:
   b. Date of proposal: 12/78
   c. Final Decision: 4/79*

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